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For: POLYTETRAFLUROETHYLENE BLOCK-SHAPED
MOLDED ARTICLE AND METHOD OF
PRODUCING THE SAME

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

BOX PATENT APPLICATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

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Sir:

The following Preliminary Amendments and Remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

AMENDMENTS

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

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Before line 1, insert *1*-This application is the national phase under 35 U.S.C. § 371 of PCT International Application No. PCT/JP99/04832 which has an International filing date of September 7, 1999, which designated the United States of America and was published in English.